

## Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Accountability & ETPL List Subcommittee

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## **Agenda**

Goal: The goal for the June 18<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Accountability sub-committee meeting is to do the following:

- Review the status of the four Task force
- Determine next deliverables
- Agree on timelines
  - Taskforce # 1: Recommendation on whether we work within the framework of the WIOA
    measures as variations on the current measurement framework or rethink at the level of a
    complete overhaul of that framework
    - a. Current status: This task force is on pause until the fall. Findings are as follows:
      - i. (Sub-Committee Chairs): We do not want the good ideas to get Washington proposes no changes to the new federal WIOA common measures.
      - ii. Washington proposes informing the federal departments of Labor and Education regarding our interest in tracking outcomes by demographic groups across the system which may ultimately influence the targets we propose for WIOA measures each year. [Note: I've listed both Labor and Education since WIOA measures now encompass programs under Education.
      - iii. Washington is interested in establishing a baseline that tracks the number of people who have secured employment in the second quarter after exit across the entire system, which would be used as a state-wide indicator to see how the WIOA system is better serving people. The Board approved this as the first steps on an agenda for the "Board and its partner agencies ... (to) undertake to adopt and report using mutually developed system-level measures."
    - b. Recommendation shelved. We would like the task force to pause for a short period, and then regroup on a couple of items:
      - i. What are the steps needed to determine the measuring system?

- ii. What is the implementation plan?
- iii. Prioritize the measurements that are easiest to accomplish first
- c. Overall output: What are the steps that can be done with minimal system change to move in that direction? What do we not have to with a deep systems analysis?
- 2. Taskforce #4: Co-enrollment implications & estimating what new measures results would look like for the current system
  - a. Current status: Task force working on evaluation came back with initial thoughts and findings. Jeff Zahir and David Walter worked on estimating WIOA measures and collecting the current overlapping enrollment environment. Members believe this data and the accompanying considerations will help the sub-committee evaluate the state's co-enrollment options under WIOA. The expectation is that we will open up the consideration conversation to the sub-committee as a whole. We recognize that several WDCs are exploring an integrated service delivery strategy and that exploration might be the sub-committee's best source of co-enrollment information going forward. The WDCs are meeting June 2<sup>nd</sup> to discuss, the taskforce's plan is to have an attendee from the June 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting report back to the sub-committee in June.
  - b. Recommendation (Sub-Committee Chairs): Come back with a go-forward plan to implement WIOA for both accountability and use in ETPL processes
    - i. Timeline end of July

## 3. ETPL Overview

- a. The three ETP mandates: existing ETPL, work experience/OJT, and Youth
- b. Unresolved questions about
  - i. the content of each
  - ii. state authority to have different criteria for different types of providers within each
  - iii. how to treat data/analysis based on small numbers of individuals
- 4. Taskforce #2: Determine new Eligible Training Provider List (ETPL) standards and procedures

Need to proceed without waiting on further federal guidance as we don't know when or how informative it will be.

- a. Current status: Assuming that the governor grandfathers the existing list as the Board recommended, that takes care of most policy issues for the next six months.
- b. Recommendation (Sub-Committee Chairs): Need to come up with an interim set of criteria by which we are going to determine which training providers that we've had within the ETPL will be eligible or not by January. WIOA clearly authorizes states to develop interim criteria for the period between Jan 2016 and whenever the final design of the system becomes clear therefore we should proceed to develop criteria to be effective Jan 1, 2016 using the limited interim direction in the WIOA statute.
- c. Determine if we want to request a delegation of authority by the governor to the WFB for determining the criteria and list.

- d. Come back to the sub-committee by October
- 5. Taskforce # 3: Determine a Youth provider evaluation system
  - a. Current status: Not started
  - b. Recommendation (Sub-Committee Chairs): Task force get started on identifying the scope of the problem and a timeline for the first recommendation back to the subcommittee.
    - iii. We have some time on this one as we need to have it by July 1, 2016
    - iv. It is more complicated than ETPL, so we will need more time for planning and evaluation
    - v. Summer Youth providers have to be on the eligible provider youth list
    - vi. This one is pretty wide open no specifics yet but there may be some restraints.
    - vii. Deadline for scope and recommendation September
- 6. A discussion of the third ETP component the one covering work experience programs like OJT